

Dear Parents/Caregivers

Hello, *Kia Ora, Talofa lava, Namaste, Mabuhay, Ciao, Kia Orana, Ahalan, Kon-nichiwa, Ni hao, Selam, Xin chao, Bonjour, Bula, Dzień/dobry, Nee how, Shalom, Dia duit, Mauri, Halo*



"To be the Best Catholic Primary School that we can be."

Congratulations to **Charlize Rm 5** and **Lily Rm 5** who made their First Holy Communion on the last Sunday of Term 3 at Sts Peter and Paul's Church Johnsonville.

ICAS English Results: Congratulations to the following for their achievements in the following:

Merit: *Lydia R10, Jasmine R9, Amma R8, Henry R10, Millie R8, Ryken R8, Hannah v R10.*

Credit: *Xavier R5, Kathryn R6, Miguel R6, Julian R7, Isabella R7, George R8, Anna R8, Hannah H R9, Edie R10, Nevan R9, Harriet R9, Caitlin R10, Emily M R10, Daniel R9, Ciara R10, Ryan R10, Oliver R8, Louise R8, Micole R8, Annie R9, Eilish R8.*

Distinction: *Elizabeth R6, Ben R8, Angelica R10, Erinn R10, Jason R10.*

High Distinction: *Maria R5.*

ICAS Maths Results: Congratulations to the following for their achievements in this year's competition:

Merit: *Kathryn R6, Matthew R10, Grace R8, Louise R8, Annie Mae R9, Ciara R10.*

Credit: *Nathan R5, Andre R7, Miguel R6, George R8, Wilson-Jack R8, Antonia R10, Toby R10, Ben R8, Micole R8, Angelica R10, Kieran R9, Millie R8, Caelum R10, Sabine R8, Harriet R9, Toby R9.*

Distinction: *Aidan R7, Jackson R6, Gabrielle R6, Elizabeth R6, Ryan R10.*

High Distinction: *Xavier R5.*

Lost Property: There are a large number of **un-named** uniform items in our lost property. Robyn Jones has very kindly sorted this out and placed them in the After School Care room – if your child has lost any uniform items, please feel free go to the ASC room and check it out.

Sunblock: Sun block is available in classes and at the front desk - with the warmer days coming and the reduction of the ozone layer it is a great idea to encourage your child to put on sunblock as part of the morning routine at home.

Netball

We had a really successful year over at the EBIS courts. **Special thanks** must go to the team of volunteers who organised the school netball and to coaches and managers who all helped the students improve their netball skills. **Special mention** must go to **Maree** and **Antonella** as they move on from our school, who have been instrumental in the smooth running of netball here for many years. They have ensured netball at our school is a well-oiled, highly organised operation. Thanks also to **Anna** whose youngest child left Sacred Heart Cathedral School a few years ago and **Anna** has continued to give generously of her time to coach a team.

Our sincere gratitude and appreciation to the following:

Netball Committee: *Maree Bennett, Antonella Aspell and Jo Woods.*

Year 5 Lightning:

Coach: *Nena Donaldson & Paul Wharakura*

Manager: *Kirsty Dravitzki*

Year 7/8 Ferns:

Coach: *Anna Kozyniak*

Manager: *Kirsty Dravitzki*

Year 6 Fires:

Coach: *Nicola Reiri*

Manager: *Trudy Lagolago*

Year 7/8 Jade:

Coach: *Chris Nixon*

Manager: *Maree Bennett*

To educate our children within a Catholic environment to achieve their full spiritual, academic and personal potential.

Coming Events

26 Oct: New furniture arriving for Rms 5, 6, 7, 8 and 10.

27 Oct: Market Day **10.30-12 Mufti Day**
Net safe evening for parents **5 pm** led by Karen Spencer Director of Education "Netsafe"

-The purpose of this evening is to explore ways so that your child is a responsible digital citizen.

-Learn strategies to keep your child safe online.

- **Mum's Night out 6.30pm** at the Thistle Inn.

28 Oct: St Pat's College Art Exhibition – Contact Antonella for tickets:

aspells@xtra.co.nz

31 October – Pasifika Achievement Evening 5.30pm

Toby (Rm 10) at the Wgtn Primary Schools' Rugby Tournament.



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Year 7/8 Emerald:

Coach: *Sera Tokakece*

Manager: *Cath Fenwick*

*****Free Free Free***** – As we are getting new furniture for 5 classrooms which will be delivered on Wednesday 26 October, we have the old desks and chairs to give away. These can be collected this Friday or Tuesday after Labour Weekend. Please notify the office if you are interested.

We had a beautiful assembly last week for Father James. Thanks to all those parents who joined us for the celebration.

Have a well-earned break over Labour weekend. Safe travels to those families who are holidaying out of the Capital.

Arohanui
Bernadette Murfitt
Principal

Mum's Night Out – Thursday 27 Oct 6.30pm: *An open invitation to all Mums to join together at **The Thistle Inn** on Thursday 27th October from 6.30pm (after the Netsafe evening). All welcome, including our hardworking teachers! Join us for a cup of tea, a glass of wine and/or dessert, whatever suits you.*

Mission Day - Thursday 27th October 10-30am-12.30pm: Parents are welcome to join us. The money raised will be gifted to the Cathedral. We are collecting toys, books and games for our Mission Day. Liturgy leaders will come to your classroom each day at 9.00am to collect your items. We would appreciate parents' help by baking treats like cookies, cupcakes, fruit kebabs etc. to sell on the day. Could baking etc. please be brought in on the day or the day before. We would appreciate student having small change for the day. It will also be a **free mufti day** (no uniform). List of prices for items on sale to give you an idea: Sausages \$1.50, Candy Floss 50c, Face Painting 50c-\$1, Children's crafts \$1-\$8, Games 20c per game, Toys, books and games 20c-\$1, Cakes from 20c.

Summer Football: Year 2/3 boys or girls. Join a year 2/3 summer football team. Games are played on Friday afternoon's in term 4 this year and term 1 next year. Times vary but should be around 4.30pm. Please email me (Linda) on woodhouse@paradise.net.nz or text 0274 330 320.

PHOTO GALLERY

Fr James in Rm 7, talking to the students about being the best they can be...



End of Season Netball Shared Lunch in Connolly Hall



For your convenience, school account number is: ASB 12-3140-0325505-00

Fr James

Last week you surprised me with a party to honour my birthday. Thank you. Thank you. It was a surprise to learn that the school wanted to do this because to me this is just another birthday. But, when I stop and think about it, 75 is an important number. It's really getting up there with the big numbers, so I have to now admit to being an older person, a senior citizen! Being older is good. You realise you have learned quite a lot over the years and some people may even regard you as being wise. Then, when you make a mistake or get something wrong, people will say it's because you are old and they'll let you off. I've even had someone give me their seat on the bus, so I have seen how kind people can be to older folk. Probably the main reason I don't feel so old is because school and parish people keep me feeling young. Your love and encouragement lift me up and keep me excited about life. I enjoy being among you and joining in your own celebrations. And, when we gather for Mass, I feel the strength of the Holy Spirit binding us close, telling us that age doesn't matter because we are all children of a beautiful God in whose sight we will be forever young.